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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: TASMANIA, 1971

Symbols and Usage

The following symbol, where used, means:

.. Nil or less than half of the unit shown.

Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

Scope and Explanatory Notes

This statement contains statistics of industrial disputes in Tasmania for the December quarter 1971 and the calendar year 1971 together with comparable details for earlier periods.

The statistics refer only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more. 'Directly involved' means workers who are parties to the dispute; 'indirectly involved' means those thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppage occurred, but not themselves parties to the dispute.

Data for the statistics are obtained from: (i) employers and trade unions; (ii) reports of government departments, etc. and of State and Commonwealth industrial authorities; and (iii) trade journals, employer and union publications, newspaper reports, etc. Particulars of some stoppages (e.g. where many establishments are involved) may be estimated and the statistics therefore should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of stoppages of work, as just defined.

A dispute involving workers in the more than one industry group in a State is counted once only in the 'number of disputes', and classified to the industry group with the largest number of workers involved; but all workers involved are classified to their appropriate industry group in respect of the other three dispute measures (i.e. workers involved, loss of days and loss of wages). For disputes not settled at the end of a year, 'number of disputes' and 'number of workers involved' are brought forward into the figures for the following year and counted as if they were new disputes. For disputes not settled at the end of any quarter (other than the December quarter when the annual rule takes precedence), 'number of disputes' are not brought forward into figures for the following quarter and neither are 'number of workers involved', but any additional workers involved by widening of the dispute are counted. In both the annual and quarterly series, however, the losses in days and wages are taken into account in the year or quarter in which they were experienced. These rules are necessary to allow addition of quarters to produce unduplicated annual totals.

Further data are available in Labour Report No. 55, 1970 issued by the Commonwealth Statistician, Canberra.

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, TASMANIA : SUMMARY (a)

Period	Disputes	Workers Involved (Directly and Indirectly)	Working Days Lost	Estimated Loss in Wages
	No.	'000	'000	\$'000
1966	14	2.5	3.1	34.8
1967	29	6.2	7.3	82.3
1968	28	7.8	13.0	149.0
1969	44	8.7	9.9	115.3
1970	66	14.8	32.2	451.1
1971	46	14.7	20.6	317.3
1970 - Sept Qtr	23	5.8	15.4	195.3
Dec Qtr	11	1.7	7.7	144.0
1971 - March Qtr	7	1.7	4.4	87.5
June Qtr	12	1.7	3.6	60.8
Sept Qtr	20	7.9	9.5	133.0
Dec. Qtr	7	3.4	3.1	36.1

(a) See page 2 for analysis by industry groups.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES BY INDUSTRY GROUPS : TASMANIA

PERIOD	Mining and Quar- rying	Manufacturing						Building and Cons- truction	Railway Services	Road and Air Trans- port	Shipping	Steve- dor- ing	Amusement, Hotels, Personal Service, etc.	Other Indus- tries (a)	TOTAL
		Engineer- ing, Metals, Vehicles	Textiles, Clothing, Footwear	Food, Drink, Tob- acco	Paper, Print- ing	Other	Total								
NUMBER OF DISPUTES															
1968	5	4	..	..	..	3	7	9	1	1	..	4	..	1	28
1969	7	2	..	2	1	4	9	13	..	4	3	5	2	1	44
1970	11	13	1	4	2	3	23	18	..	2	2	6	..	4	66
1971	14	5	6	2	..	2	15	9	..	1	2	4	..	1	46
1971 - March Qtr	3	1	..	1	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
June Qtr	3	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	1	3	..	1	12
Sept Qtr	7	4	3	..	..	..	7	3	..	1	1	1	..	..	20
Dec. Qtr	1	..	2	1	..	2	5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
WORKERS INVOLVED (DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY) ('000)															
1968	1.0	1.5	..	..	..	2.3	3.8	1.3	0.5	..	..	0.8	..	0.4	7.8
1969	1.3	0.2	..	0.1	0.1	0.6	1.0	0.9	..	2.8	0.1	1.8	0.6	0.1	8.7
1970	3.5	1.5	..	1.2	0.5	1.6	4.9	2.8	..	0.7	..	2.3	..	0.6	14.8
1971	2.4	2.8	5.0	0.4	..	..	8.2	2.5	..	0.2	0.1	1.3	..	..	14.7
1971 - March Qtr	0.9	0.1	..	..	..	..	0.1	0.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	1.7
June Qtr	0.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	0.1	..	..	..	1.0	..	..	1.7
Sept Qtr	0.9	2.7	2.9	..	..	..	5.6	0.8	..	0.2	..	0.3	..	..	7.9
Dec. Qtr	..	..	2.1	0.4	..	..	2.5	0.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	3.4
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000)															
1968	4.2	2.1	..	..	..	3.0	5.2	1.7	0.4	..	..	0.6	..	1.0	13.0
1969	1.4	0.4	..	0.3	0.1	0.1	1.0	1.9	..	3.1	0.2	1.9	0.3	0.1	9.9
1970	11.2	2.1	..	0.3	0.2	3.0	5.6	9.0	..	3.1	..	2.7	..	0.6	32.2
1971	5.0	4.3	5.2	0.4	..	0.2	10.0	4.2	..	0.2	0.2	0.9	..	..	20.6
1971 - March Qtr	3.0	0.4	..	..	..	..	0.4	1.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	4.4
June Qtr	0.7	1.4	0.1	..	..	..	1.5	0.4	..	..	0.2	0.9	..	..	3.6
Sept Qtr	1.1	2.5	3.0	..	..	..	5.5	2.6	..	0.2	..	..	..	..	9.5
Dec. Qtr	0.2	..	2.1	0.4	..	0.2	2.6	0.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	3.1
ESTIMATED LOSS IN WAGES (\$'000)															
1968	61.3	22.7	..	..	..	24.9	47.5	19.6	4.7	0.2	..	6.3	..	9.5	149.0
1969	18.4	4.5	..	3.4	1.4	1.5	10.9	27.9	..	30.3	2.8	21.1	2.3	1.7	115.3
1970	194.8	25.4	0.3	3.3	1.8	40.0	70.8	116.5	..	31.2	0.5	30.7	..	6.5	451.1
1971	102.3	59.7	56.0	4.8	..	2.4	122.9	73.3	..	2.9	3.8	11.9	..	0.3	317.3
1971 - March Qtr	66.4	6.2	..	0.6	..	..	6.8	14.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	87.5
June Qtr	10.9	23.8	2.0	..	..	..	25.8	8.8	..	..	3.8	11.3	..	0.3	60.8
Sept Qtr	23.0	29.7	31.0	..	..	..	60.7	45.8	..	2.9	..	0.6	..	..	133.0
Dec. Qtr	2.1	..	23.0	4.2	..	2.4	29.6	4.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	36.1

(a) Includes agriculture, grazing, etc.; communications; finance and property; wholesale and retail trade; public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services.